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1. AS REQUESTED REFTEL, THE EMBASSY HAS ASSESSED THE IMPACT OF A POSSIBLE CURTAILMENT OF THE FOREIGN BUYER PROGRAM IN TERMS OF OUR ABILITY TO MEET PROGRAM OBJECTIVES. THE EMBASSY CONSIDERS THAT THE FOREIGN BUYER PROGRAM IS A VALUABLE ELEMENT OF ITS TRADE PROMOTION PROGRAM AND WOULD REGRET ANY REDUCTION WHICH WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT THE ABILITY OF USDOC TO OFFER FACILITATIVE SERVICES TO LOCAL BUYERS TRAVELING TO THE UNITED STATES.

2. SINCE THIS PROGRAM DOES NOT REQUIRE A MAJOR IMPUT OF EMBASSY RESOURCES, THE CHIEF IMPACT OF A CURTAILMENT ON OUR LOCAL ACTIVITIES WOULD BE OUR INABILITY TO SEND LOCAL COMMERCIAL SPECIALISTS TO ACCOMPANY MISSIONS WHICH, ACCORDING TO PAST MISSION DIRECTORS, WAS HIGHLY USEFUL.

3. IF, DESPITE A POSSIBLE CURTAILMENT, THE USDOC FILED OFFICES WOULD STILL BE PREPARED TO MEET WITH MISSION MEMBERS OR INDIVIDUAL VISITORS, WE WOULD PLAN TO CONTINUE THE PROGRAM WITH APPROPRIATE CHANGES IN THE SERVICES WHICH WE OFFER. IF "CURTAILMENT" IMPLIES THAT FILED OFFICES WOULD NO LONGER BE IN A POSITION TO PROGRAM
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VISITORS, WE WOULD HAVE TO DE-EMPHASIZE THIS PROGRAM AND CONFINE OUR ACTIVITIES TO PROVIDING INFORMATION ON U.S. TRADE SHOWS AND PROVIDE THE NAMES OF POSSIBLE CONTACTS FROM DIRECTORIES AND OTHER MATERIALS AVAILABLE AT THE EMBASSY.
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